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SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN JOURNALIST COVERING WEST AFRICAN DROUGHT AID

NORWAY'S LEADING DAILY, AFTENPOSTEN, IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, WILL SEND ITS CORRESPONDENT GUNNAR FILSETH TO WEST AFRICA TO COVER DROUGHT RELIEF EFFORTS. THE PAPER HAS ASKED IF FILSETH COULD FLY WITH A USAF PLANE DELIVERING EMERGENCY GRAIN. CAN PERMISSION BE GRANTED, PARTICULARLY ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE, AND IF SO, HOW MUST ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE?

WE BELIEVE THERE IS CONSIDERABLE VALUE IN NORWEGIAN MEDIA COVERAGE OF U.S. RELIEF EFFORTS IN VIEW NORWEGIANS' MORALISTIC CONCERN FOR AFRICA AND CRITICISM OF AMERICAN AFRICAN POLICIES.

WE HAVE ADVISED FILSETH TO CHECK WITH RESIDENTS IN COUNTRIES HE VISITS FOR DETAILS OF AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN RELIEF EFFORTS. WE REQUEST INFO POSTS' FULL COOPERATION

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IF FILSETH APPEARS.

FOR USIA, APPRECIATE REPLY ASAP RE FLIGHT POSSIBILITIES.RYAN

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